bifurcate Uttar Pradesh into three separate States for its proper development; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) The Government of Uttar Pradesh have forwarded a copy of the Resolution passed by the Uttar Pradesh State legislative Assembly on 12.8.1991 urging the Central Government to create a separate State of "Uttaranchal". The proposed new State will comprise the eight hill districts of Kumaon-Garhwal Divisions of Uttar Pradesh, viz., Nainital, Almora, Pithoragarh, Pauri Garhwal, Chamoli, Tehri Garhwal, Uttarkashi and Dehradun.

Demands of ULFA

3147. SHRI BHARDESWAR BURAGOHAIN: Will the Minister of HOMEE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the developments that have so far taken place between the Government and the ULFA;

(b) what are the demands of the ULFA; and

(c) by when, the army is likely to be withdrawn from Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) Some leaders of ULFA had given assurance to accept, and seek solution to their problems within, the Constitution of India. To facilitate the process of negotiations some ULFA activists were released and the Government agreed to suspend the Army operation. The ULFA is holding consultation within the organisation to finalise its stand on various matters relating to negotiations.

(c) The question of withdrawal of army from Assam will arise after return of lasting peace and order in the State and when it is felt that Army is no longer required in aid of civil authority.

Committee for monitoring 15 point programme

3148. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any committee in his Ministry for monitoring implementation of the 15 Point Programme for the welfare of the Minorities; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the number of persons who have been provided with Employment during the past three years under the programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) No such committee has been set up in the Ministry of Home Affairs.

(b) Does not arise.

Encroachment on roads

3149. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in order to decongest Capital's important roads, Delhi Police have drawn up a progarmme to have 40 roads cleared from unauthorised encroachments;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the localities to be covered under the programme;